## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION CIVIL CASE NO. 1:23-cv-00362-RJC

ALBERT ANDERS	SON,	)	
	Plaintiff,	)	
VS.		)	<u>ORDER</u>
FNU REEP, et al.,		)	
	Defendants.	)	

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court on the Plaintiff's recent requests for "courtesy copy of case" [Docs. 23, 25], which the Court construes as a motion for copies of all filings in this proceeding.

Pro se Plaintiff Albert Anderson ("Plaintiff") is a prisoner of the State of North Carolina currently incarcerated at Marion Correctional Institution in Marion, North Carolina. He filed this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 on December 27, 2023, against 32 Defendants. [Doc. 1]. Plaintiff's Complaint failed initial review and the Court allowed Plaintiff to amend his Complaint to properly state a claim for relief. [Doc. 12]. Now before the Court is Plaintiff's motion requesting that the Court send him a "courtesy copy of full case." [Doc. 23; see Doc. 25].

The Court will deny Plaintiff's motion for copies. Plaintiff failed to include payment for the copies he requests. A litigant is ordinarily required to pay his own litigation expenses, even if he is indigent. See United States v. MacCollom, 426 U.S. 317, 321 (1976) ("The established rule

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Plaintiff also makes vague and nonsensical reference to "Punctuation Patterns tieing [sic] into a sexual cross-referenced nature" [Doc. 23 at 1] and "illegal acts of Punctuation Patterns being sexual worded" [Doc. 25] in his motion.

is that the expenditure of public funds is proper only when authorized by Congress...."). The Court is not a copying service. If Plaintiff needs copies of documents filed in the docket in this matter, he may pay for the copies he seeks at the standard rate of \$.50 per page. See <a href="https://www.ncwd.uscourts.gov/court-fees">https://www.ncwd.uscourts.gov/court-fees</a>. The Court will, however, instruct the Clerk to provide the Plaintiff with a copy of the current docket sheet as a courtesy.

## **ORDER**

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that Plaintiff's motion [Docs. 23, 25] is **DENIED** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

The Clerk is respectfully instructed to send Plaintiff a copy of the docket sheet in this matter. IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed:March 25, 2024

Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

United States District Judge